# SPAIN'S NAVAL PREPARATIONS.

She Buys Two New Cruisers in England.

#### HOPES TO GET OTHERS

The Government Has Succeeded in Raising Money Somewhere,

FRESH SQUADRON TO HAVANA.

The Board of Inquiry Leaves Key West for Havana-Little Toought to have Been Learned There-Difficulties Experienced by Divers Hard to Appreciate-Scope of the lavestigation.

LONDON, March 4-Spain has purchased two cruisers which the Armstrongs have been building for Brazil, the Amazonius and a sister ship, unnamed, of 4.000 tons each, twenty-three knots and ten guns.

protably secure two cruisers of a similar type which have been building in France

The Amazonius is ready for launching and her sister ship will soon be ready. The Spanish government is also endeavoring to secure guns and large supplies of unition in England and on the con-

tinent for immediate use.
RAISED MONEY. The government of Spain seems to have funds, for it is understood to be paying a large part of the purchase money in cash, giving good security for the balance, hese being the only terms upon which he Arms rones would deal. Eome weeks ago ap in at empted to pur-

London express the belief

the purchase of other ships in English and continental dock-

WASHINGTON, March 4-Naval offi-cials are deeply interested in the reports of the purchase of warships by Spain and make the reports of these transactions

Buressa, now of the Brazillan Navy and their strong point is their great radius of action S000 miles which would enable them to cross the Athanic and recross without renewing their supply of "My last expedition put into Cuba 700."

in France, which are also reported to be about to pass into Scanish possession, are presumed to be the Dandero and the Florizona, which are building at La Seinne, Tener are small but nowerful bauteships. Their tennings is only 2.162, but they carry four helical friends in turrets, in addition to two 6-inch and the florizonal state of the Havana authorities in turrets. four 4.7 inch guns and a good secondary say the Maine blaw up on her own a battery. Their coal endurance, however, count, then Sener Du fless is of the same is small and their forte would seem to

The London reports also caused comment at the State Department. In some quarters the feeling was expressed that pending the inding of a court of inquiry on a case having the international phases

Mr. Noner expressed the opinion that the battleship Maine was destroyed "By Spanish officials with their knowledge and by their hands."

Scope of investigation. of the Muine explosion the obligations of

#### COURT LEAVES KEY WEST.

### Testimony of Survivors Thought to Be

of Little Value.

investigation. The Buretlyry of yester-day and to-day is still unexplained, except by a semi-official suscenses that Rear-Admiral Storrd was awaiting in-structions from Wahrington. The sec-ptons it is generally understood, develop-ed its evidence by which the cour with the members of the court said to

With one exception the witnesses who testified here were Maine survivors. The words of an cellsted man, who, when at any time upon request. Since then he Judge-Advocate Morix asked him what he Government has established on Tortugas

hat was all he could swear to.

bers of the court may have their individual theories, they are by no means
prepared as a body to render a decrive
verdict. The officer niready quoted sau:

the court has yet heard any testimony which would enable it to decide intelligently that the Meine was blown up
from external causes i am the most mistaken man in the world. Before the
coming Havana sessions are over it may
secure such evidence and pessibly find
the blowing up was intentional. It will
learn from the divers the actual condition of the ship siler the explosion as it tion of the ship atter the explosion as as has already learned from the survivors most of the details of the ship's condition

most of the details of the ship's condition before the explosion, with these bases thoroughly established, the court will hear more expert incoretical testimony and then reach a verdict."

This statement can be taken as more worthy of reliance than that of the Maine officer who said the other day he believed the ccurt was bound on evidence already heard to find the cause of the explosion external. Its conservatism is also at variance with the opinions of many other naval officers here, especially those of the younger set, directly contrary to the belief of most of the Maine survivors that their ship was intentionally blown up.

Before sailing to-night Captain Samp-

ally blown up.

Before sailing to-alght Captain Sampson had a long consultation with Admiral Sicard. Hulse, the court's chief stenographer, has returned to Washington, leaving Bissell, his associate here. All the Maine survivors received a month's pay yesterday and their claims for lost personal property have been filed. Schwantz, a cook of the Maine, has put in a claim for \$1.2% which he says he had in his chest, which was blown to pleces. Many other enlisted men lost the sayings of years. There have been no movements of the flest to-day, except in

he Amazonius and a sister ship, untamed, of 4.000 tons each, twenty-three
tamed, of

#### DIVERS DIFFICULTIES.

#### The Guns Will Require Much Work to Ee Taken Out-A Hurricane.

HAVANA March 4-The American divers, having examined more or less that free silver can be prevented from thoroughly the ward room of the Maine controlling the two flowes of the next Congress without effective organization rooms, are to-day trying to effect an entrance into the petty officers comparting that idea the more useful he will be as a sound-money man.

ANY GOOD PLAN.

'I om so carnest in my desire to see our country blessed with safe money and a sullable financial system that I am of a sound-money man.

Captain Sharpe, who is in charge of the Captain Sharpe, who is in charge of the Merritt & Chapman wrecking outhit, appreciates the afficulties of the situation letter than others. He will not specify any time when the big guns will be released. It is necessary to first remove the tops of the turrets. These are held in place by steel boils which must be cut lorse. The best informed people here taink a month will chapse before the turrets are opened. In the meantime work on the minor details of the wreck will proceed with all possible speed.

mony of decorating the graves of the Maine's dead to-day.

A hurricane which has swept over the port of Patatane on the south coast of Cuba, opposite Havana, has done great damage. It destroyed a hut in which were quartered a number of soldiers belonging to the Castillan batelilon, killing two of

#### LANDED 700,000 CARTRIDGES.

make the reports of these transactions the text for complaints of the inability of our Navy Department to do likewise. Its day the purchase of the Amazonus. However, as to the report from London by Spain, it is raid at the Dipartment that this vessel sated from Brazil several months ago and has been delivered to the Brazilian government. Her sister ship is near completion in the Armstrong yards.

They are useful cruisers, copies of the Brazilian Navy and Buressa, now of the Brazilian Navy and Informed the State Department that the Dauntless expedition was not successive administration of the Brazilian Navy and the Dauntless expedition was not successive and informed the State Department that the Dauntless expedition was not successive.

WASHINGTON, March 4. - Admiral Steest's precept convening the court of inquiry now investigating the disaster to the buttl-ship Maine has been received

Aside from the usual orders directing the court to report both findings of fact and its opinions on these findings, Ad-miral Sicard directs the court to record KEY WEST, Pla. March 4.—After two postponements of its departure, the Court of Inquiry left for Havana this evening on the light-house londer Mangrove, it is believed by the best informed here that the court whit complete its labors in the Caban capital within ten days.

Only three of the six days the court was here were devoted to the Work of

#### To Reclaim Tortugas.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 4.—The War Department, it is understood, will endeaver to induce the Treasury officials to return the Tortugas is and a to i.s. jurisdiction, but at the Treasury Department it is said that no request has yet less made it on the Secretary of the been made upon the Secretary of the Treasury for the retransfer. Should the request be made, it is said it would be compiled with at ones.

Some years ago this island, then under the control of the War Department, was turned over to the Treasury Department for use as a quarantine station with the stipu at on that it would be retransferred about the explosion, sold:

I was blowed up, I was saved and one of the most complete quarantine stations in the country. This fact, however, would not even be considered should the War Department used it for its own purhowever. It is this: Although the mem-

## MUST WORK FOR SOUND MONEY.

A Warning Against Overconfidence

#### FROM MR. CLEVELAND

Hard Work and Effective Organization are Necessary

#### TO SAVE THE NEXT CONGRESS

From the Free Silver Forces-An Exhortation to Patriotic and Consistent Support of Any Plan Which Insures This Result and Has the Elements Promising Successful Advocacy.

PHILADELPHIA, March 4 .- Representatives of the State organization of Jefferson or Gold Democrat party met here to-day and resolved to put in the field a ticket of their own for State officers, from the Governorship down and for members of Congress in every district.

MR. CLEVELAND WRITES. A letter was received from Ex-Presi-

dent Cleveland in which he says: "I cannot account for the arrogant confidence of the free silver forces except upon the theory that they are led to believe that there is very little aggressive force to be made by their opponents. "If any one believing with us supposes

#### THE LAKE CITY SHOOTING.

#### The Wife of the Late Postmaster Gives Details of the Crime.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—To-day Cabi-net meeting occupied three hours, and at its conclusion it was announced that nothing of an important nature had oc-

curred.

No information, of any character, it was saied, had been received, either from General Lee or the court of inquiry. An hour or more of the time of the Cabinet session was occupied in the reading of a long report from the special agent of the Post-Office Department on the killing of Baker, the colored post-master at Lake City, S. C.

In view of the peculiar circumstances

Postmuster-General Gary, and the ac-

meeting of the guilty persons is said to be most energetic ever agreed on by any administration in a similar case.

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Baker's wife said that her husband then fell on his knees and prayed for pro-testion. The heat and smoke became so unlearable at length that they could no longer remain in the house. On again appearing at the door they were greeted with another voiley of bullets.

"The first one of the family to be killed."

was the baby in its mother's arms a but-let siriking it in the side. The mother saw the wound and told her husband that the baby was killed. A second later he fell tack against her dead. She and the

withe her when they got out. They ran until they were exhausted and fell down. The older girls went into a neighboring field and remained there until they heard no more sounds from the vicinity of their old dwelling. Late at night all found shelter at the house of some of their col-

"The mother and children say they saw men standing about the trees and bushes near the house but were unable to 'Enkor's wife is reported to be a

small trail woman about thirty-five years old. She has a gun-shot wound in the left forearm and the hours are fractured. Rosa, the oldest daughter, aged about sixteen years, received a gun-shot wound which broke the bones above the left cibow. Corn, the next girl was shot in the right hand and wrist. A son, about eleven years of ago, has one sericus wornd in the abdomen and another wound in the right forearm, both hones of the arm being broken and badly shat-tered. He is not expected to live. The

administration together with all good citizens of the country in whatever gentlen they may reside. fully appreciate the chormity of the crime which has been committed not only against this unoffending man and his family, but sealnst the government as represented by the postmaster and I assure you that the Postoffice Department in co-operation with the Department of Justice will do everything in its power to apprehend and convict the men who committed this terrible outrage. Both of the Departments mentioned are using every means in their power to the end that justice may be meted out to the eriminals."

SECRET SESSIONS

THEIR CHOICE

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#### DATE OF REPORT

#### Still a Matter of Doubt to the Court of Inquiry-Disposes of a Fake.

WASHINGTON, March 4.-It was dereloped this morning through the telegraphic correspondence between Secretary Long and Admiral Sicard that the court of inquiry is unable to fix even an approximate date for the conclusion of its estigation into the disaster to the

Maine, anaring the general anxiety for some information on this point Secretary Long to-day, at the instance of the Cabinet, sent a telegram to Admiral Steard asking him when it was expected that the report of the court would be made, and late to-night the following reply was re-

"Key West, March 4th."
"Secretary of the Navy:
"Have talked with the president of the court of inquiry and agree with him that it is not yet possible to fix a date for the finding, as so much depends upon the progress of the divers and wreckers and the results they obtain. Every effort is the results they obtain. Every effort is being made to advance the inquiry. The court returns to Havana by the Man-grove this evening having about finished the examination at Key West. (Signed.) "SICARD."

Admiral Sicard's mesage is regarded as Admiral Sicard's mesage is regarded as officially disposing of reports that the court has yet obtained positive or concusive information bearing upon the object of the investigation. It is taken to mean that upon the testimony or the accoveries of the divers will depend the income, the examination of the officers and the crew of the ship having been insufficient is enable the court to even form in lice as to what lines may be opened up from the investigation of the wreck tree!

While the telegram was naturally while the telegram was naturally somewhat of a disappointment in leaving the termination of the inquiry as much in doubt as ever. It was welcomed as practically setting at rest the reports as to the results of the investigation up

It is stated that the board in all prob-ability will not return to Key West, the department having intimated that it was its desire that examination of the officers and men should be co-cluded at this sitting, as they are needed for reassign-

ment to ships.

It is probable that the Olympia, flag-ship of the Asiatic Squadron, and the pecclers queen of the cruisers, will come nome to San Francisco. The Navication Rarcau has this movement under consideration, and, in view of the fact that the ship has been three years away from a navy yard, engaged in hard cruising nervice, even if there were no other res-count is a rechabile that the order would is probable that the order would

or torpedo boat Winslow, at Norfolk, completed her recars, and will join dictilla at Key West as soon as the on the coast blows itself out and

#### HAVE BAD MEMORIES.

#### Witnesses in Martin Trial Cannot Recall Former Testimony-

WHALSBARLE, PA., March 4.—The effect in the case of Sheal Martin and is deputies closed finally at II ocleans morning, after recailing some of the Commonwealth's wan sees to as extra

door and call for help. As soon as he opened the door the Bring began and a storm of bullets struck the door and house.

Sold the witness, "when Hess came up I said the witne "Dd you write me a letter during this rial" asked Judee Woodward.
"No, sir," replied the witness.

## LUETGERT TO MAKE SAUSAGE.

#### The Material Will Be Selected By Some One Else, However.

CHICAGO. March 4.—Wife Murderer Lustgert has been told the task selected for him darlag his life imprisonment. It is the intention of the Joliet Pentien-It is the intention of the Joliet Pent tiary officials to manufacture sausage use in the big pentientiary, and Luck will be given charge of the work. iCan pleases Lucigert.

### Favor National Quarantine.

VICKEBURG. MISS. March 4.—The Cotton Exchange to-day adopted a resolution requesting tacir representatives in Congress to advocate a mational quarantine and hoping 'that the general welbuting to the maintenance hereafter of a Republican form of government in such taught us ceased to exist during the late

## England Encroaching.

SEATTLE, WASH, March 4.—Eugene P. Klein, of Boston, who arrived from Skigmay on the steamer Queen, is a sight confirms the statement that the of the arm being broken and badly shatsered. He is not expected to live. The
two very mater girls, completing the
amily, escaped unburs.

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## A LIVELY DEBATE.

Premature Publications Referred To in the Discussion.

THE MUNICIPAL CONTEST WARM.

Completed Its Ticket-The Candi-

dates in Monroe Ward-The Contest Will Wax Fast and Furious Next Week-Mr. Brock Left Out.

The City Democratic Committee held a necting last night with Chairman Walace presiding. There was not much of public interest done, and the session lasted only an hour.

Mr. D. O'Sullivan was elected a memher of the committee from Jefferson ward to succeed Captain Morgan R. Mills, re-

There was a lively debate over a resoution offered by Mr. Hulcher to amend the by-laws so as to provide for open the by-laws so as to provide for open sessions of the committee. During the discussion The Times was referred to as having made public some of the proceedings not authorized to be given to the press. Marked copies of The Times containing the publications were exhibited.

Mr. Hulcher a pr. 6 dition was defeated.

Mr. Hulcher's proposition was defeated by the following vo.e:
Ayes-Messra, Boyce, Carmody, Doyle, Duke, Heeks, Hulcher, and Tyler-7.
Noes-Messra, Alen, Blount, Doherty, Fagan, Gordon, Hicks, Lucas, McKenny O Sullivan, Price, Redwood, Saundera, Weisiger and Wallace-14.
After hearing reports from some of the ward superintendents the committee adjourned.

THE LEAGUE'S PROSPECTS.

The Good Government League will take the field in earnest next week, and will make a strong effort to elect every man whom they decide to endorse. It is said that meetings will be held nightly in the various wards of the city, except Jackson, and the principles of the League thoroughly explained to the citizens.

One of the leaders of the League said yestericay that he was as perfectly agsured that the candidates his organization put up would be elected as that he THE LEAGUE'S PROSPECTS. tion put up would be ejected as that he

CLAIMS OF BOTH SIDES.

"The people, as a rule, are conservative," he said. "They will recognize the
great work that the League has done in
the past year, and will raily to our support. These clubs don't amount to much.
The people we are after stay at home,
and don't attend club meetings. There
is where we are strong."

As old realizing, who has passed

as where we are strong.

Au old politician, who has passed through many a municipal contest, thus summed up the matter yesterday:

"I am satisfied from careful observation that the Good Government League will be badly defeated in Ciay Marshail, and Jefferson wards. In Madison and Monroe they will doubtless elect some of their candidates, but not all, even in those

did Frank Kupa.

It is said that Atorney-General Grizzs holds to the opinion that the Federal Government will have jurisdiction over the murderers, even if they are first taken by the Sinte authorities.

Baked it is held, was an officer of the Government, in the discharge of his duty, and the attack upon him was similar to an attack upon a deputy marshal or other official.

Fostmaster-General Gary expresses the determination to do everything in his power to ascertain the identity of the guilty parties. In response to inquiries, the made public the following statement:

"The department is in powerson of a preliminary report from its representatives in recard to this said tragedy, from which a few defails may be given.

The department is in powerson of a first back, who must be sheriff a few minutes after he reached this city from the great to this said tragedy, from which a few defails may be given.

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For Common Council – Messra, James Caskie, Mary Guest, C. W. L., Feters and William Camp.

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"The department is in persession of a preliminary report from its representatives in regard to this said traged; from the scene of the shooting said they saw no mark discoloration or bruise on the sheriff's face.

"The widew of the murdered posturaster has been interviewed, and her stary in brief is about as follows:

"They were awakened some time in the early morning by the smell of fire and smoke, and upon rising found that the house was in flames. Bailer attempted to house was in flames, but soon discovered to this evidence, but the house was in flames. Bailer attempted to house was in flames. Bailer attempted to house was in flames, but soon discovered to this evidence, but the house was in flames. Bailer attempted to house was in flames. Bailer attempted to house was in flames. Bailer attempted to house was in flames, but soon discovered to this evidence, but the house was in flames. Bailer attempted to house was in flames, but soon discovered to this evidence, but the committee of five appointed to take the committee of thirty appointed to take the neasoffer on the committee of the committee of thirty appointed to take the neasoffer on the committee of the commit THE LAST DAY.

All candidates who have not handed in their assessments to Trensurer Henry M. Tyler, of the City Democratic Committee by 12 o'clock to-day will be beharred from entering the race. Mr. Tyler has been busy for a wosk past receiving money, but there are still a number who have not come forward. The names of all who have qualified themselves to run by putting up their money will be published to-morrow.

The report that there is an unmendable

will be published to-morrow.

The report that there is an unmendable break in the Democratic ranks in Jackson ward was den'ell yesterday by one of the leaders from that section. He day and vote for the regular nominees.

#### THE CARTER COURT-MARTIAL.

#### Witnesses Decline to Testify and Can, not Be Compelled to Do So.

NEW YORK, March 4.-When the Carter court martial met to-day Judge Advo-cate Barr had road and spread on the records. Section 347 of the revised sta-tutes of the United States, requiring that all powers of attorney or orders of ana'l nowers of attorney or orders of ac-thority shall be executed in the presence of two witnesses and some oilital auparties. Former sub-Treasurer C. N. Jordan was called and asked if, assuming the endorsement of Anson M. Bangs on a certain check to be a forgery. It would make any difference with the government, so far as that check was concerned, if the party whose name was signed should come forward now and say that he had given authority for the signing of his

Mr. Jordan replied that such a check so signed would in no wise change the char-acter of the check so far as the gov-ernment is concerned; such powers have to be made in accordance with law, said Mr. Jordan, otherwise, if the check were

dan when he suspected the signature of Anson M. Bangs was irregular and the signature was guaranteed.

It was proper under the regulations, Mr. Jordan said, to pay the check if the endorsement was guaranteed.

Mr. Blair asked Mr. Jordan if he did not know it to be a fact that the check in dispute had not gone back into Captain Carter's hands after it was signed.

The situaca scaling in the affirmative.

The witness replied in the affirmative.

Joseph T. Brown, second vice-president
of the Knickerbocker Trust Company,
who was summoned to produce certain
books and papers relating to the account of B. D Greene with as company, was then called. He said that, acting upon the advice of his counsel, he had not brought the papers required, Mr. Brown said that the Knickerbocker

Mr. Brown said that the Knickeroocker Trust Company had made application to Captain Greene for permission to produce books and papers referring to his account, and should his reply be favorable the documents would be produced. Edward Burns, cashier of the American National Bank, said that the Ansom M. Bangs check guaranteed by the bank had been returned by the Treasury Department because the middle initial in Bangs, name sooked like an "N" instead

changs' name looked like an "N" instead The Good Government League Has Mr. Burns thought at the time that the Mr. Burns thought at the time that he signature was genuine. He was usked if he had brought certain papers relating to the account of B. D. Greene, He replied that it was the policy of his bank not to testify as to the business of a client unless compelled to do so by law, and that he had been advised by counsel that this court-martial had not the power to com-

pel him to testify.

Judge Advocate Barr asked that Mr.
Burns be adjudged in contempt of court. "The witness is in contempt of court, said General Otis, president of the court but this court has no power to punish

ified that in October, 1895, he bought 200 shares of Delaware, Lackawanna and western and 200 shares of Delaware and Hudson stock, the total value of these stocks were \$50.28. Mr. Flags said that, acting upon the advice of counsel, he would refuse to produce books and papers bearing on Captain Carter's ac-

Carter guthorized the purchase of the stacks and carried them in his name, they were really purchased for R. F. West-cott, for whom Captain Carter acted as tiorney. Witness said that at one time fr. Westcott said that Captain Carter as his son-in-law, and had full power o transact business for him. The stock

He had good reasons he said, for be-lieving that this money came from Mr. Westcott, When the stock was sold the proceeds were placed to Mr. Westcott's account. Mr. Flagg denied that he had ever had any transaction with County ever had any transactions with Captain Greene, Anson M. Bangs or any of the Gaynors. The judge advocate asked that this witness also be declared in contempt

of court.
At the judge advocate's request, the court adjourned until Monday next.

#### THE SPEEDWELL DISASTER. The Only Passenger Saved Says the

Crew Was Inexperienced.

KEY WEST, Fl.A., March 4-All the bid es but one from the schooner Speedwei, which capsized yesteraay off Marquesas Keys, were recovered and brought

the missing body is that of James Nichols, one of the young sons of Bradley Nichols. The bodies recovered are those of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Nichols, Mrs. James Nichols, their daughter-inlaw, and her two children, Bradley, Jr., and Minnie, and three child en of Captain Coller, Tom, George and Willour, A coroner's jury was empannelled here

of the victims.

Many 6.d sea-faring men were at a loss to understand how Captain Collier let a squall overtake him without the slightest preparation. Eugene Bates, the only passenger saved, says the crew was heaverelessed, and that an acceptant should never have occurred.

#### CAPTAIN TAYLOR APPOINTED

Postmaster at Ashland -- Hampton Hoge's Brother Gets Roanoke Office. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 4.- The

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 4.—The President to-day nominated the following Virginia postmanters:
J. M. Taylor, Ashiand; C. P. Nair, Clifton Porke; S. H. Hoge, Ronnoke, ROANOKE, VA., March 4.—Special.—Harris hoge, a brother of Coionel J. Hampton Hoge, has been nominated by President McKinley as Postmaster

Dupuy's aucressor.

The place pays \$2,590, and allows the employment of an assistant at \$1,500.

#### Oniet at War Department.

Salt Lake are being reviewed and it was said that if this were so it could be nothing more than the usual periodical inspections required by the regulations. te ready for an instant atart, it is said that Captain. McNatt and Lieutenant leanett, who have been on inspection duty for several years past, are not to as are reported from Bethlehem.

#### Poisoned by a Convict.

MERIDIAN, MISS,, March 4.-Supervisened this morning by rough-on-ratic placed in their coffee by William Hi), a sixteen-year-old negro, an ex-convict, bought out of the stockade by Royals to serve as a chore boy.

Mrs. Poynts and Miss McKenzie are at

the point of death. that's motive was revenge, having been tranhed yesterday by Rovals for insonce. Hill was lodged in jail, but will not

#### Alabama Grand Army.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., March 4.-The tenth annual encamement of Alabama. Grand Army of the Republic met in Decatur to-day. A number of distinguished men, including Commander-in-Chief Go-bin, were present. The annual camp fire derate veterans being guests of Officers elected were: A. G. Bethard, commander: Samuel Griscom, senior elce: A. J. Harner, junior vice: Manoah Bostick, chaptain A. M. Ballard, medical director; R. M. Allison, delegate national encampment; A. W. Fullam, alter-

General Lee's Asvium. WASHINGTON, D. C. March 4.—The State Department received the following telegram from Consul-General Lee last "Havana, March 2.

## DRIVEN ASHORE BY A HURRICANE.

British Steamer Wrecked By the Fierce Gale.

## ALL HER CREW SAVED

A Life-Line Shot Across the Stranded Vessel.

#### TUG UNDERWRITER IN DANGER.

She Left for Havana Thursday Morn ing. Having in Tow the Derrick, "Chief," and Has Run Right Into the Storm-Puritan to be Docked-T. rpedo Boat Winslow Delayed.

NORFOLK, VA., March 4 -- Special --With a terrible burricane behind her, the wind driving fifty-six miles an hour, the British two-masted tramp steamer, Gleadowe, plunged ashore about 11 o'clock this morning, two miles south of the Cape Henry lightship. She struck on almost the identical spot where the Norwegian bark, Dictator, was shattered in April six years ago, when all on board, except the captain was drowned, the captain's little boy perishing in his fother's

The Gleadowe is a vessel of 1,381 tons, with Captain Harrison, and a crew of with Captain Harrison, and a crew of twenty-three men. She left Delaware Breakwater yesterday, intending to come to Norfolk for eargo of grain. She had hardly gotten well out to sea when she ran into the teeth of a heavy gale. It was impossible to bring the vessei to in such a storm, and Captain Harrison held her to her course, hoping that the storm would abute. would abute.
FIGHTING FOR LIFE.

would abate.

By 10 o'clock she was off Cape Henry heroleally fighting for life, but the breakers caught her and tossed her like an eag-shell against the shore. She was almost immediately sighted by the patrol from the Cape Henry Life-Saving Station, who immediately notified his station. The crew at Sea Tack was also notified, and in a short time the life savers were gathered at the coan side. It would have been certain death to have launched a boat, and it was decided to attempt to shoot a line across the stranded vessel. After many trials the efforts of the gunners were successful. The line was made fast to the main mast and a hreeches bour rigged up. By 2 o'clock the work of rescue began, and by 4 o'clock the last man, Captaln Harrison, was safe on shore. It is little less than, a miracle that half of the chip-wrecked sailors were not drowned, while being hauled ashore.

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The captain's son was struck on the head by a pulley, knocked seaseless, and almost drowned. The ship-wrecked men were taken to the two life-saying stations and made as comfortable as possible.

The Merritt Wrecking Company's tug. Chapman, which arrived this morning from New York, was ordered to the scene, but when the character of the gale was learned, her orders were reversed.

Captain Seymour says that if the storm keeps up until to-morrow afternoon it salmost certain that she will be a total loss.

Considerable anxiety is felt for the tug Underwriter, which left here yesterday morning for Havana, having in tow the

derrick "Chief." right into the storm, and with her cum-hersome tow, she has undoubtedly had a hard time of it. The Underwriter, it will be recalled, once sank in New York PURITAN TO BE DOCKED,

No orders of public interest were re-ceived at the unve yard to-day. The monitor Purlian will be docked at high water to-morrow if the weather permits, The United States steamer Essex will come up to the yard to-merrow or Mon-The tornedo-boat Winslow is still here,

weather. If she goes to Havana she may take the incide route, which she could easily do, as she draws but six feet of water. water.

Later—The Gleadowe is pretty well up on the beach but is still in good condition. Cardain Harris is here making arrangements to get her off. She lies about fifty yards off shore and as the storm is rapidly shating there is a strong probability that she can be floated with-

The Proposed Commercial Treaty. MADRID, March 4.—The government has consulted the Chambers of Commerce throughout the country respecting proposed commercial treaty with the

United States.

The Elibao chamber replies that, considering the present condition of mercantile relations, it can see no necessity for a treaty. If the negotiations, however, are successful, it is of the opinion twe will be requisite: One between America and the Peninsula and another between America and the Antilles. Inited States. America and the Antilles.

Commenting on the proposition that President McKinley purchase Cuba, the Imparcial says: ld a solution for the settlement of the Cuban war and the termination of

## any present heartburning of the nation.

One Small-Pox Case. BRISTOL, TENN., March 4. Special.—
Physicians announce to-day that there is one case of small pox in Bristol. The subject is Jake Nunnally, who had been travelling in southwest Virginia. All persons who were exposed to him are in our resulting.

Sam Denntson charged with being en accomplice of John Jackson in the murder of W. P. Leonard has been sentenced to four years in the penitentlary.

#### Wire Combination.

NEW YORK, March 4.—The plan for a combination of the steel, w.re. rod and nall manufacturers, which has been unwas practically consummated at a meet-ing held in the Walderf-Asteria Hofel, in this city, to-day. The combination will represent about \$50,000,000 in capital. The name selected for the combination is the "American Steel and Wire Company,"

#### WEATHER FORECAST. WASHINGTON, March &-Forecast for

Saturday: Virginia-Fair; northwest to west North and South Carolina-Clearing on the coast in the early me man. Saturday, fair, northwesterly winds.